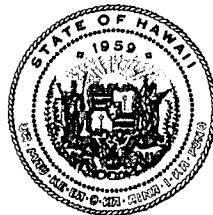


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Dear Mr. Yoshioka:

**SUBJECT: Section 106 (NHPA) Consultation
Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor
Eligibility Determinations
Island of O'ahu
TMK: (1) (various)**

This is in response to your transmittal, dated August 25 and received in our office on September 2, 2008. The submitted determinations of eligibility for structures along the proposed Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor include all properties one tax map lot deep flanking the corridor. Professional architectural historians (Mason Architects Inc.) assessed all resources constructed before 1969, including residential, industrial, commercial, military, and sacred resources as well as historic landscape features. Inventory forms provided photographs, brief architectural descriptions and significance and integrity evaluations. A total of 626 resources were identified and 79 presented as listed on or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the National Park Service criteria. We appreciate the amount of substantive research that characterizes the submitted documentation.

Determinations pertain to the fundable twenty-mile segment of the corridor between East Kapolei and the Ala Moana Center with alternatives for both Fixed Guideway Transit Alternatives of the Salt Lake and Airport routes. Complete analysis of the historic resources and determination of effect for the University of Hawaii, West Kapolei, and Waikiki spurs have not been fully addressed in the documentation, as those portions of the project are not yet funded and will be subject to additional consultation at a future time.

The State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD) generally concurs with the determinations provided, although we have some concerns regarding the potential eligibility of some additional properties. Following our September 19 meeting with project coordinators, we did have the opportunity to discuss our preliminary review of the eligibility documentation with staff of Mason Architects, who were subsequently extremely helpful in providing additional photographs of specific properties.

At this time and based on those photographs, we would like suggest that the following additional properties be considered potentially eligible as good examples of representative local building typologies, rural landscape, vernacular structure, and pre-stress engineering accomplishment respectively:

Waipahu-'Aiea Segment

94-526 Farrington Highway (1956)—Ishira House
94-143 Pupukahi Street (1965)—Terahira Apartments

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94-1031 Kahuamoku Street (1965)—Carvalho Apartments
94-965 Awane Street (1956)—Ohara Apartments
94-1066 Awaiki Place (1959)—Sandobal House
96-121 Waiawa Road—Watercress of Hawaii
96-135 Kamehameha Highway (1937)—Solmirin House

Kalihi-Ala Moana Segment

1441 Kapiolani Boulevard (1959)—Ala Moana Building

Some buildings we would appreciate further photographed for our state historic resource inventory are:

606 Coral (1963)
975 Queen Street (1941)—Tropical Lampshade
1209 Kona Street (1943)—Honolulu Hardwoods

Finally, based on new information emerging regarding resources in the vicinity of former Marine Corps Air Station 'Ewa Field, additional consideration should be given to resources, if any, in the area of potential effect associated with the December 7, 1941 attack. Please further qualify the description of MCAS 'Ewa (p. 4-2), for which a few resources remain extant (p. 4-8). Ongoing consultation with the Navy regarding the transfer of parcels in this area to a private developer has recently revealed the necessity for more thorough investigation as to the status and eligibility of these resources. This includes the MCAS 'Ewa runways (p. 4-10), which should be evaluated in accordance with the National Park Service bulletin, *Guidelines for Identifying, Evaluating, and Registering America's Historic Battlefields*.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. Should you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Dr. Astrid Liverman in our O'ahu office at (808) 692-8015.

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